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House of Assembly.

TUESDAY, Jan. 15, 1861.

Present — Speaker Helmeke; Messrs. Green, Waddington, Burnaby, Tolmie, Gordon, Cary, Crease and Franklin.

RESERVOIR ON GOVERNMENT STREET.
Mr. Waddington gave notice of a motion for information respecting the disposal of the funds for the improvement of the city, voted by the House, and spoke in strong terms against the manner in which the intention of the House, with respect to the reservoir on Government street, had been carried out by the Government.

POWDER MAGAZINE.
The House then went into consideration of the Council amendments to the Gunpowder Magazine bill, and made some further amendments to the bill, which was ordered to be returned to the Council.

LIQUOR BILL.
The Speaker then read the letter and minute of the Hon. the Council, returning the Liquor bill and amendments to the House, and the House went into Committee of the Whole on the subject, Mr. Crease in the chair.

The Chairman stated that the notice of motion by the Hon. Attorney General on the subject was before the Committee, and he would like to hear that gentleman's reasons for making it.

Mr. Cary—It is because I feel and know that the question is one of great importance to this Colony at large, and because I am unwilling to allow any of the rights and privileges of this House to be infringed upon by the Council. By the privileges allowed to all Houses of Representatives, we can appropriate all moneys to be levied under any bill, even before the bill has passed the Council; and if we accept of the Council amendments to this bill, we surrender that privilege. The reason of these amendments coming down to us is from the ignorance of the Council, and their ignorance is because they will not learn. They say, "they derive their authority from the same source as we do," and that I do not deny; but I affirm that they do not derive the same authority as we do. True, they were made a Council on the same day as we were made a House, but that does not give them the same authority as is vested in us. The very idea is absurd, for they might as well say that because a child was born on the same day as a king, he had equal rights to all the authority and power of a king. We are Englishmen, in an English Colony, under the English law, and the statutes and common law of Great Britain states that the House of Representatives have the only right to tax the people. That is the law taught to every child in the mother country, and every Englishman who comes into this Colony brings that law with him in his breast. The Council seem to think that they have an equal right with us to impose taxes. This is false; the sole right of the House of Representatives to tax the people has been acknowledged for centuries, and if it is necessary to prove to the Council that right, we must stop the supplies, now that a direct attack upon that right is made by the Council. Now is the time for us to act, and we must not allow it to pass without having the question definitely settled. The assertion of this right of the Commons has always been acquiesced in. The House of Lords have the power merely to accept or reject a bill; but have not the power to alter the law. [The Hon. gentleman here read the following extracts from Schomburgk's British Constitution. "This power is most properly vested in the elective body of the Legislature, because it represents all the interests of the community, and must be supposed to have the choicest sympathy with the various classes of society, and not so easily to be influenced by private motives." Also, "every bill, either public or private, which has for its object the raising of money, must commence in the House of Commons; and whatever bills of this nature are sent up to the House of Lords, the Lords are only allowed simply to accept or reject. It is true, that where there is no House of Representatives, the Governor and Council have the right to impose taxes; but when a House of Representatives is established in any Colony, that House becomes the Commons of the land, and are to enjoy the privileges enjoyed by the Commons of England. With respect to

this very question, Blackstone says: "These extraordinary grants are usually called by the synonymous names of aids, subsidies and supplies, and are granted, as we have formerly seen, by the Commons of Great Britain and Ireland assembled, who, when they have voted a supply to the crown, and voted the quantum of that supply, usually resolve themselves into a committee of ways and means, to consider the ways and means of raising the supply so voted." Again I say, sir, that by every law of England, the Council have not the right to enjoy the privileges they desire and attempt to force, and therefore I would wish to see a proper understanding on the subject, even if it cost much time and trouble. The question of taxation is a very important privilege of the House—one which I am unwilling to surrender to the Council.

Mr. Franklin—It is unnecessary to add to the able position taken by the hon. Attorney General. This House is the Commons of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, and we are of course vested with all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the House of Commons at home. I wish, however, to guard against those rights being at any time hereafter claimed by any other body, and would propose that the words being the "only elective body" be struck out of the second clause of the resolutions, and the words, "The House being the Commons of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies," be inserted in their place.

Mr. Gordon—I must reiterate what I said on a former occasion. The Minutes of Council contain two questions: 1st. The amendments to the bill and then the question of rights; and I beg to call the attention of the committee to the words of the Council, "that the bill contained certain ambiguities which appeared to the Council as likely to mar its working, and the Council therefore," etc. Now this is a distinct avowal of their reason for attacking the rider to the bill. The House of Commons of England is as tenacious of its rights as we can possibly be of ours; but even they allow the Lords to amend their bills, for there are precedents where the Commons have accepted the amendments of the Lords, making minutes on their own books of the reasons for doing so. There are, it appears to me, three courses for us to pursue: 1st. Accept the Council amendments and make an entry on our books of the reason for doing so; secondly, amend their amendments; and thirdly, get some honorable member to draft an entirely new bill which will meet the sanction of both Houses. [The Hon. gentleman read an extract proving his statement of these courses being open to the House.] We all express anxiety to dispatch the bill; in a week, the taxes will have to be paid, and if this bill is not passed, the old rate of taxes must be levied. The Council state that they only desire to assist the bill and we are bound to believe them. [Laughter.] The Hon. gentlemen may laugh, but I really think that no infringement of the privilege of this House was intended by the Council, and would move that an amendment be made to the bill, specifying what is meant by fermented liquors. I would be as quick to defend the privileges of the House, as any member, but I do not think that they are attacked. I am sure no member here will say that the Council passed that rider for the purpose of altering the rates of taxation.

Mr. Cary—No, but in their minutes of Council they actually state their power to do so. Mr. Waddington—I wish to state, Mr. Chairman, that the gentleman who preceded me must be aware that the bill was sent down before, with the same amendments as now, and was returned to the Council by us, stating that the amendments would change the rate of taxation and that we therefore could not accept them. But the Council now send those amendments back in our teeth, and to cap it all, a minute stating that they have the same rights as we have; thus showing a desire to force their amendments on us. True, they were made a council by the same power that made us a House, but that power did not give them the same authority as it gave us. In England and all other countries representation and taxation go together, and the Governor's instruction from the Home government direct him to refer to the House of Representatives in all such matters. Perhaps, sir, it would be desirable to send an interpretation clause to this bill, stating the intention of the House with reference to the bill.

Mr. Burnaby—If we take the step proposed by the Hon. member, it will be taking the initiative step, and we cannot then recede; better not touch the bill in any way until we have the question of rights settled.

Mr. Cary—I do not complain of the amendments themselves, it is the principle I complain of. The Council say distinctly they will have their own, and we must now stand our ground, and not give way to their encroachments, embodied in their minute of the 4th instant, and under no circumstances ought we to recede a single step from the position we have taken in defence of our privileges.

The Committee then passed the following resolutions.
1st. That the amendment proposed on the 4th day of January, 1861, by the Honorable Council, to a "Bill to authorise and regulate the sale of fermented and spirituous liquors" would affect an alteration in the tax proposed to be levied by the said bill.
2d. That all supplies and aid from the colony of Vancouver Island and its dependencies for the use of Her Majesty, are the sole gift of the House of Assembly of said colony and its dependencies, and the said House being the Commons of the said colony, it is the undoubted and sole right of said House to direct, limit and appoint in the bills granting such aids and supplies, the ends, purposes, considerations, limitations and qualifications of such grants, which ought not to be changed or altered by the Honorable the Council.

3d. That the House cannot therefore enter into consideration of the said amendments.

4th—That this House being as unwilling as the Honorable the Council to impede the passage of the said bill; request a conference with the Honorable Council, at such time and place as the Hon. Council may deem fit.

The Committee then rose and reported to the House, and the House adjourned until to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock.

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VICTORIA, Nov. 17th, 1861.

Thursday Morning, Jan. 17, 1861.

The Gunboats.

The return of H. M. Gunboat Forward, on Tuesday afternoon, after a prolonged absence on the Northwest Coast, was the cause of general rejoicing on the part of our citizens. All felt pleased beyond measure at the fortunate termination to her perilous adventures; and the seamanship and gallant conduct of the officers, was the theme of general comment. Amidst the expressions of satisfaction at her safe return, not a few were disposed to censure the Government for sending out so "frail" a craft on so perilous an errand as that on which the Forward was dispatched has proven to have been. The opinion seemed to be that the Plumper would have been the most serviceable, as well as the safest vessel for such a purpose. This impression seemed to be based upon the idea, that because the Forward is a small craft she must needs be weak. This by no means follows. There is a very important fact, however, connected with these vessels, which has never yet been published here, and which it may not be uninteresting to refer to just at this period. During the Crimean war, a large number of the gunboats sent to the Baltic were built by private parties, under contracts from the Government, for the reason that the royal shipyards were too busily employed in the construction of larger vessels to turn all the gunboats out in time for active service. Consequently, the British Government had no other choice, and many were given out by contract, because they were required in a hurry. The gunboats that were constructed at the private shipyards proved very unserviceable during the campaign. Many were lost; and they were in general denounced by their commanders as unfit for sea. After the war had terminated, the gunboats returned to England, and some of the contract-built ones were placed on the dry-docks for repairs. It was then found that the government had been swindled by some of the builders. Inferior materials had been used in their construction, and instead of copper fastenings which the government had paid for, it was ascertained that wooden pegs had been used, and half-an-inch of copper run in at their heads to conceal the deception. Considerable excitement was occasioned by the discovery of the swindle, and it served the London Times as a subject for several editorials; and, if we mistake not, was even brought up in Parliament. Whether the Forward and the Grappler belong to the same class, we are not informed; but if they do, they are doubtless now in nearly as good a condition as those built by government; for, upon the cheat that had been practiced being discovered, the contract-built gunboats were all overhauled, and the inferior material and the wooden pegs replaced by something more substantial. Besides, we cannot imagine for a moment that the Home Government would ever have appointed them to this station had they been unseaworthy. They were conveyed to this place from England by the *Permagant*, and met with no mishap on the voyage.

We do not possess enough knowledge in nautical matters to enable us to express an opinion as to the seaworthiness of the Forward or Grappler; but we are fully convinced (as are nine-tenths of the community) that the presence of a staunch steam-vessel is urgently required near the mouth of the Straits of San Juan de Fuca, at all seasons of the year, but more particularly at this. Our coast is subject, during the winter months, to heavy gales, and although of short duration, they are none the less dangerous or destructive in character than those often encountered on the Atlantic side. Of this fact we have, unfortunately, had too much proof recently, in the large number of melancholy shipwrecks we have chronicled. If the gunboats will not answer for the service, why not send the *Heate* or the *Plumper*? or even charter the *H. B. Co's* steamer *Beaver*, at present rotting in the harbor? The presence of a steamer on our coast, well supplied with provisions, etc., would be productive of much good, in saving lives and property, and tend greatly to lessen the dangers of navigation on our coast. Without protection of some kind, we very much fear that our coast will enjoy but an indifferent reputation in other countries, which may cause an increase in the rates of insurance, as well as in freight, on goods destined for this market.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.—As we had reason to expect, from the material of which the Assembly is in the main composed, a Committee of the whole House yesterday afternoon entertained the question of allowing the supplemental Estimates, and actually decided to vote £430 to be added to the extravagant amount appropriated last spring to the support of the gov-

ernment. A portion of the amount voted yesterday was introduced into the original Estimates, when the Obstructive forces only mustered a majority of one over the Reformers, and was refused. Nothing daunted, however, at their defeat, they wait patiently till they gain an overwhelming majority, and then force an additional pill down the throats of unwilling tax-payers. In the supplement, the Governor asked for a *Private Secretary*, to be allowed £350 per annum. How much of that amount goes towards *bill-sticking*, he does not inform them. He has asked for a Clerk to the Treasurer, and another for the Colonial Secretary. We predicted, months ago, that Mr. Gordon, owing to his imperfect knowledge of business, would require assistance in his department; and, sure enough, he has at last discovered his own incompetency, and begs for assistance. If the Colonial Secretary's duties are too arduous for him to perform them unaided, let him resign the post situation he at present holds as Secretary of the Colony of British Columbia. With a clerk, his situation will be a nice sinecure. The Assembly denied the *Private Secretary* to His Excellency, but allowed two "clerks for general business," at £250 per annum each. The following is the amount voted by the House:

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Colonial Secy's do.....	35
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Sundry expenses House of Assembly..	50
	£430

Of course, the reduction of the sum asked for (£1,170) to £380, is a mere sham. It was only done to afford some of the newly-fledged members an opportunity of sailing under false colors for a while as economical legislators. It was never intended that the £1,170 should be voted, and if any person in the country imagines differently, we pity his greenness. The programme, like everything else from government men, was, no doubt, "cut and dried" before it ever came into the House. The question will come up in the House for final decision to-day. We hope that the few Reformers will do their best to defeat the scheme.

(CARD.)
The undersigned, on behalf of his officers and crew, takes this method of returning to Capt. Robson and the officers of H. M. gunboat Forward, his sincere thanks for their prompt assistance upon learning of their shipwrecked condition, and for their courteous and kind treatment towards his passengers and crew while on board the Forward.

CHAS. A. McLELLAN,
Late Master of Brig Consort.
Victoria, Jan. 16th, 1861.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED MOST RESPECTFULLY requests that all persons indebted to him will call and settle their accounts without delay, and to him personally, as Mr. JAMES DUNCAN has left my business and is no longer authorized to receipt for me.

THOMAS PHELAN.
Yates street, Jan. 15 1861.

Victoria Theatre.

MANAGER.....J. B. Robinson.

THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 17, 1861.

Will be presented the Burlesque of

LOLA MONTEZ; Or, A COUNTESS FOR AN HOUR.

To be followed by

Favorite Ballad.....Miss Susan Robinson.
Essence of Old Virginia.....Master Gus.

After which the Pantomime of

THE CLOWN OUTWITTED.

Banjo Solo.....Master Gus.

To conclude with the laughable Farce of the

MISTAKEN FATHERS.

ADMISSION—Parquette, \$1; Gallery 50 cents.

S. L. KELLY

HAS REMOVED HIS TIN AND HARDWARE Store to the Clipper Warehouse, next to Sutro's Cigar Store. ja17 tf

Philharmonic Society.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR the ensuing year will be held on FRIDAY EVENING, at half-past 7 o'clock.

ja17 tf R. HOMFRAY, Hon. Sec'y.

Notice to Cowichan Land Owners

ALL PERSONS WHO OWN LAND in the District of Cowichan are invited to meet at the Colonial Restaurant, on THURSDAY NEXT, 17th inst., at 2 P. M., to take into consideration business of importance.

ja16 2t T. J. SKINNER, EDW. STAMP.

Victoria Gas Company (Limited).

A MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the above-named Company will be held at the Office of John T. Little & Co. THIS DAY, (Thursday), at 3 o'clock, to receive the Report of the Tenders in the Election of Directors.

ja16 2t JOHN T. LITTLE, Chairman pro tem.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL PERSONS indebted by me, or under my authority, to recover cargo from the Wreck of the British Bark *NANNETTE*, or any tackle, etc., appertaining to the said vessel, are revoked, JAMES JONES and JOHN COSTELLO being the only parties authorized by me to do so from and after this date.

ja16 1w ALEX. C. ANDERSON, Agent for Lloyd's.

Ex "Palmetto."

30 BASKETS LOUIS LAREUX & CO'S Champagne, a choice Wine, and equal to E. Cluquot in quality.

—ALSO—

30 cases Hibbard's Porter and Ale;

20 cases Orange Bitters.

For sale by

RYCKMAN & MARKS, Wharf, opposite Yates street.

FOR SALE.

500 BALES CALIFORNIA OAT HAY,

300 sacks Barley,

200 sacks Oats,

200 sacks Bran,

In lots to suit.

ja3 1m J. J. SOUTHWATE & Co., Wharf street.

Sugar, Molassos, Salt.

25 TONS S. I. SALT,

Sugar in kegs and bbls,

Molasses in kegs and bbls,

For Sale by

JOHN T. LITTLE & CO., Commission Merchant, Wharf st.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Blankets Restored!

THE UNDERSIGNED CLEANS BLANKETS and extracts salt water therefrom without soap. The process does not affect the colors, and the blankets, when dry, appear as they left the manufactory. Charge moderate.

ja16 1w THOS. J. PIGOTT.

LOST,

A PLAIN SILVER RING, WITH A Diamond key fitted inside a blue stone. Five dollars reward will be paid on leaving it at

ja16 J. J. SOUTHWATE'S, Wharf street.

Proposed Church at Hope.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

THE INTEREST WHICH THE PUBLIC OF Great Britain and Ireland have taken in the spiritual welfare of British Columbia and Vancouver Island, and the desire which has been so strongly shown to plant in these Colonies a Branch of the Church of England, has been instanced as one of the most convincing proofs of the vitality and energy of the Church at home.

In consequence of the Christian aid afforded through the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the Church Missionary Society, the Colonial Church and School Society, and the Columbia Mission, there are now in British Columbia seven, and in Vancouver Island, six clergy.

The country is not in a condition to support our clergy to any extent, although in New Westminster and Victoria the liberality and energy of the laity is contributing its share. Next to having the ministrations of our clergy, the erection of churches is of the greatest importance. In these two Colonies, we are doing all that is hardly to be done in any other place for pecuniary help from our native land, for we trust, though out of sight, we may not be out of mind in the prosecution of our labors.

Hope is in the condition of doing all she can to help herself in the erection of her Church, but without some friendly aid from societies at home, and those who wish well to our Church's progress, I do not see how we are to succeed in our efforts. I earnestly ask my old friends at home, those who may have friends connected with Hope, and all who feel interested in the progress of true religion and social morality, to give us their kind assistance, however small.

The estimate for our Church is.....£ 760

Extra expenses, in raising in and clearing ground..... 60

A School for Indian and Industrial Establishment..... 300

.....£1,120

Towards this, I have obtained in Hope..... 100

From personal subscription..... 100

The Bishop of Columbia offers £100 to the Church, from the Columbia Mission Fund, when the whole sum requisite is collected, and aid to the Indian School in proportion to the sum raised..... 100

.....£300

Eight Hundred and Twenty Pounds have therefore to be raised.

The population of Hope and its ecclesiastical district, Christian and Heathen, is about 900, scattered over a wide area. Its prospects of a large white population are very encouraging. The increase of population in Colonial settlements, under favorable circumstances, is already known in England, though the rapidly can hardly be realized. The future Incumbent of Hope, how anxious I am to anticipate the spiritual wants of my cure. The difficulty of collecting and keeping together a congregation, which assemblies only in a store, is sufficiently great; but the task is increased, when the population has been frequently changed from unavoidable reasons.

Without a Church, I cannot look for any real spiritual work or progress. The population, be it remembered, is ENTIRELY ADULT. They are all miners, store-keepers, or temporary residents. Of white women and children, there are not of the former seven, and of the latter four. Several are Romanists, and two Romish Priests are placed at Hope. The district includes a considerable number of Indians and their children. For those we are desirous to do all we can to give them the knowledge of our common Lord, and lead them to bless the white man's advent. This object will, we trust, be furthered by educational and industrial training.

Under such circumstances, I hope I may be excused in placing our wants before our friends at home, as well as in these Colonies. I have added to this statement "Special Objects," which are requisite for a Church, and may be furthered in whole or in part, according to the donors' desires.

Special Objects.

COMMUNION SERVICE. CHURCH BELL, COLUMBIAN CLOTH, FOUNT.

BANKRUPT—Messrs. Holmes, Fleet street, London.

(Peter O'Reilly, Esq., J.P., Hope.)

TREASURERS—Rev. Charles Macdonald, M. A., 39

Portchester Terrace, London.

The following will kindly receive contributions:

Col. Moody, & Co., New Westminster, B. C.

Mackenzie, Rev. Henry Field, St. Mary, Wisbeach.

Cowley, Rev. W. G., Upwell, Wisbeach.

Pringle, D. Esq., Wilton Lodge, Hawick.

Pringle, Miss, Randolph Cliff, Edinburgh.

Taylor, Rev. Alexander, Halifax.

Lempriere, Capt. R. E., Ewell, Surrey.

E. H. Jackson, Esq., Victoria, V. I.

A. Watson, Esq., Victoria, V. I.

Home, Rev. A. M., Calumne, Isle of Wight.

Emsley, William, Esq., Q. C., 45 Harley St., London.

Ferris, N. M., Esq., Cairn College, Cambridge.

Drake, Rev. F. Tyrwhitt, Colchester, Essex.

A. D. PRINGLE, M. A., Hope, British Columbia.

January 10, 1861.

To the Residents of Victoria.

The connexion between Victoria and British Columbia, and the probability that I can hardly address a man of business in Victoria who has not some transactions with Hope, is my apology for laying before you my Circular.

Notwithstanding your local calls, I venture to lay my statement before you with some confidence. In the early stage of the two Colonies, "help from the many" is unavoidably sought to accomplish such undertakings as are mentioned above, and with your help and some aid from our mother country, I hope to see my desires carried out for the lasting benefit of Hope; a place of rising importance in British Columbia, with which Victoria is likely to be more and more connected, in consequence of the trade through there to the Similkameen, and to which, as tourists and pleasure seekers, you may bend your steps in summer days. I, too, you will feel sad to see, when looking at God's House of Common Prayer and Praise, in recalling your own share in raising a Temple to His Service. The above Circular has been left at the houses of many gentlemen. I had hoped to wait on them in person for a reply, but being unable to do so, I shall feel exceedingly obliged if they will hand any offering to an accredited Agent who will call on them, or to Messrs. Jackson and Watson, Bank of British North America. ja16

Havana Cigars.

LATEST IMPORTATION.

FIGARO, ne plus ultra, Regalia Britannica.

La Flor de Santiago Pardo do

La Villa de Gijon do

El Sultan do

La Verdi do

San Victoria do

Our San Juan do

La Flor de Lopez & Torre do

El Deloitte do

La Riqueza Cubana do

Villa de Gijon, do Regalia de Londres

La Trinidad do

La Viuda de Garcia Cigaretos.

For sale in lots to suit, by

G. VIGNOLO, Corner Yates and Wharf streets.

M. PRAG.

Yates street.

offers for sale, cheap,

HARDWARE,

Agricultural Implements,

Bar Iron, Steel & Iron-Mongery,

STOVE & TINWARE of every description.

Glass and Crockery Ware, Wood and Willow Ware &c. &c. ja16

Royal Hotel Restaurant.

JONES & BENNETT

DEG TO INFORM THEIR FRIENDS

and the public that they have opened the above Restaurant in the best style, and it is now equal to any on this side of the Pacific. They have hired the

BEST OF COOKS,

And they hope, by strict attention, to merit a share of the people's patronage.

Breakfast from 7 o'clock to half-past 10 A. M.

Meals, - - - 50 cents

Dinner by the Week, - - - \$6.00

Open to 12 o'clock, P. M.

Wharf street, Victoria, V. I., Dec. 8, 1860. ja1m

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Vancouver Island Hay.

O. BIERER HAS FOR SALE A LARGE quantity of Timothy Hay and Potatoes, cheap, at Mr. FINLAYSON'S Farm. ja16 15*

The Indian Reserve.

THE VERY VALUABLE WATER FRONTAGE ON VICTORIA HARBOR,

With other portions of the Reserve, will be Leased in Lots for Mercantile purposes, on reasonable terms.

Application to be made at the Office of JOHN J. COCHRANE, Government street, where a map of the Reserve may be seen. ja15 1m

Town and District of Nanaimo.

TO WIT:

NOTICE.

REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT.

ALL PERSONS, OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE in this District, are requested to make a Statement in writing, according to the Form A hereto annexed, of what Real Estate they hold and where situated; to describe such Real Estate, giving the ad-measurements thereof; to state what its actual market value is, and the value of the improvements thereon; and to deliver such statement at the Office of the Treasurer of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, on or before the Eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one—thirty days from the date of this advertisement.

SCHEDULE A.

Owner's Name.	Place of Residence.	Amount of Property, and where Situated.	Ad-measurements.	Market Value.

By order of the Assessors.

W. HALE FRANKLYN, J. P.

A. D. McINNIS,

ALFRED R. BENSON

ja15

NOTICE.

THE COURT OF REVISION UNDER the "Trade License Act 1860" is adjourned until 11 o'clock in the forenoon of THURSDAY, the 17th day of January, 1861, for the purpose of compelling any person who has failed to make his return under the provisions of the aforesaid Act so to do.

WM. BROOKE NAYLOR, Sheriff of Vancouver Island.

For the information of the General Public, the Court of Revision has obtained the following

OPINION:

"I am of opinion that the exception in favor of common laborers for hire extends to those who habitually work for wages, even if they have occasionally taken a job, on their own hand, or on the hand of another, although they may have employed their otherwise unemployed time by working for wages, are liable to make a return."

"I am also of opinion that persons taking sub-contracts are liable to make such return."

GEO. H. L. CARY, Acting Attorney General of Vancouver Island.

January 12th, 1861. ja15 3t

Reid & McDonald

OFFER FOR SALE EX "ALMA,"

Ladies' Balmoral Lambswool and colored Hose, Gentlemen's do and stout grey do

Children's Hoods, Trowsers and Boas, do

Duckworth's extra bottled Porter, do

Bass and Burton bottled Ale, do

Gin of different brands in casks and cases

ja11 1m

Victoria Coal Company.

COAL AND WOOD.

THE PRICE OF COAL IN QUANTITIES of One Ton and upwards, including drayage and portage, will from this date be ELEVEN DOLLARS PER TON.

JOHN T. LITTLE & CO., Agents, City Wharf, foot of Yates street. ja3 1m 2p

TAKE NOTICE.

BY THE ARRIVAL OF THE ALMA, FROM LONDON.

A SUPERIOR LOT OF

BALTIC SHIRTS,

The Finest

Thursday Morning, Jan. 17, 1861.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Card from Mr. Stenhouse.

VICTORIA, V. I., 16th Jan., 1861.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST;—In answer to an article which appeared in your issue of yesterday, I beg to lay the facts of the case, in reference to the seizure of the schooner Thames, so far as I am concerned, before the public.

Capt. King seized the vessel on the morning of the 4th instant, and placed me in charge, as he had to follow the Surprise, of which he had received information as having goods on board taken from the wreck. On the morning of Saturday, the 5th, we arrived at the Hudson Bay Company's Wharf, having written instructions to hand the vessel and cargo to the proper authorities. I requested Mr. Smith, Superintendent of the Police, to take charge of the vessel. He placed an officer on board, accompanied me to Capt. Nagle's house, and reported the case. That gentleman desired him to keep the officer in charge until the matter should be investigated on the following Monday. Why Capt. Nagle discharged the officer in charge on the following day (Sunday), I am at a loss to understand, as I see from *Abbott on Shipping*, and other authorities, that a vessel clearing for any specific port is bound to proceed to the same with all dispatch, unless prevented by stress of weather, leakage, or other unforeseen accidents; failing to do so, she is liable in heavy penalties. The Thames cleared for Nanaimo, and was found in the neighborhood of Race Rocks. Such are the facts as to the vessel. The cargo, a considerable portion of which I seized in the immediate neighborhood of Rocky Point, close to where the schooner was anchored, I handed over to the Agents of the Underwriters.

As to your concluding remarks, I look upon them with supreme contempt, as I have no doubt all right-thinking men, who have read them, will do.

A. STENHOUSE.

THE CONSORT'S CREW AND PASSENGERS.

—Yesterday afternoon, we learned that all but two of the passengers and crew of this vessel were in destitute circumstances. A subscription list was immediately started, and in a few minutes \$193 75 were subscribed by our kind-hearted citizens, and handed over to Captain McLellan, late master of the Consort, for distribution. The amount was, doubtless, very acceptable to the unfortunate people, who have suffered so dreadfully for many months past. Mr. and Mrs. Lockman and child were kindly accommodated with comfortable quarters at the residence of Wm. J. McDonald, Esq., M.P.P., who opened his house to them, where they received every attention from himself and lady. Several of the crew suffered from a want of food on Tuesday night, and some were relieved at the station-house by the officers in charge. The money raised yesterday, although sufficient for their most pressing wants, will not go far among so many; and further subscriptions will be received at Messrs. Hibben & Carswell's Stationer's Hall, Yates street; and at the British Colonist Office. We would earnestly entreat all those who have not yet subscribed to come forward to-day and contribute their mite towards the relief of their distressed fellow-beings.

SENG UP.—Fabian Mitchell and Michael Machivelli, residents of Esquimalt, were yesterday before the Police Magistrate, on a continuation of the investigation into the charge of stealing from the wreck of the Nannette. Attorney General Cary appeared for the prosecution, and D. B. Ring, Esq., for the defence. Considerable evidence was taken, and at the conclusion thereof, Mr. Cary said that as the case was of too serious a nature to be disposed of in a lower court, and as the charge had been sustained, he would ask that it might be sent to the Court of Assizes. His honor acquiesced, and the prisoners were admitted to bail to stand their trial on the 28th inst.

SAN JUAN HARBOR GOLD MINES.—It seems that there is a little mining going on in the vicinity of San Juan harbor. Some twenty men are at work on San Juan River, a small stream that heads in the Coast range and empties into San Juan harbor. One of them came to town a few days since for provisions for his partners. He says they are content to remain there for the winter. What wages they are making, or whether the diggings are extensive, we are uninformed. An evident desire exists on the part of the discoverers to keep the result of their labors a secret, and thereby prevent a rush until they have first secured the best claims. In a few days we shall probably receive some reliable intelligence from that quarter, which we will lay before our readers in all haste. In the meantime, keep like the weather—cool.

DECISION TO-DAY.—A decision in the famous Cary-Nias case, will be given this morning, by Chief Justice Cameron, at 11 o'clock.

ASSEMBLY REPORT.—For an account of the proceedings in the House of Assembly on Tuesday, see our first page.

—We learn that there will be a Court of Inquiry shortly into the circumstances attending the loss of the British bark Nannette.

—An election for officers of the Philharmonic Society will take place to-morrow evening.

VICTORIA THEATRE.—A most excellent bill is offered for this evening—"Lola Montez," "The Clown Outwitted," "Essence of Old Virginny," ballads, banjo solos, etc., concluding with the laughable farce of "Mistaken Fathers" will be performed. During the first piece, Miss Susan will give the much admired Spider Dance, in her own inimitable style, and with all the original music.

MOORE'S MUSICAL HALL.—At this house, last evening, "Lucretia Borgia" was performed to a good house. Much applause was won by Miss Sweet and Mrs. Beatty, and Messrs. Potter, Beatty, Lane and Townsend, who performed in a highly satisfactory manner. The afterpiece of "Who Speaks First," concluded the evening's performance, and was received with infinite humor by the audience.

Nanaimo.

Nanaimo harbor is very extensive, so far as size goes, being about five miles long by about two and a-half broad; a very small portion of which is useless; that is, comparatively speaking. The harbor is formed by a deep bay on the shore of Vancouver Island, protected by Calde-scans, Protection, and Newcastle Islands, from the gales and seas of the Gulf.

British Columbia is only about 20 miles distant from Nanaimo. The town is very prettily situated on rather high land, with its neat little whitewashed houses, backed by the thick forest on Nanaimo Mountain, seven miles inland. About the first thing that attracts the stranger's eye on nearing the town, is the engine at No. 3 pit, blowing and snoring away most furiously, but doing very little work. The next thing is the bastion, built for the purpose of keeping evil away. Now, alas! for Nanaimo morals it has produced a greater evil; it is now the county prison, in the charge of one of the Governor's favorites.

To the left of the bastion is the tramway, in a very dilapidated condition, the end projecting into the harbor being useless, a part of it having fallen.

I had heard so much about the Dunsmuir coal discovery that I started off at once, under the direction of your worthy agent Mr. McLellan, to see it. The entrance is by a level, i. e., there is no shaft to descend; you walk straight in for some forty or fifty yards which brings you to the engine in the pit, at the head of the new slope or heading, driven in the direction of the fall of the strata, from which workings are opened right and left. The coal in the present workings is very nearly worked out, but the shaft which is to go down about 120 yards is expected to produce a very large supply. The coal is run out of the mine and down an incline to a large bin or heap, and loaded into lighters, mostly by Indians. The lighters when loaded, can only float at high water. Dunsmuir coal is said to be the best.

No. 3 pit is the only regular pit—that is, with a shaft. It is about eighteen fathoms deep. The coal is very good for household purposes, if well cleaned.

The mine at Newcastle Island is entered by a level; it is of small extent and is not expected to last long. Departure Bay (on which the above mine is situated) is about two miles from Nanaimo, and is one of the finest bays in the Island, both as regards the depth of water and security from gales, unless very strong from the N.W. It can be entered by a narrow channel from Nanaimo or direct from the Gulf. The Company have a saw-mill about three quarters of a mile out of the town; it is worked by a flutter wheel, which, provided it does not jam and is hand-worked, might be made to cut a thousand or twelve hundred feet per diem.

Nanaimo contains within itself everything necessary to make it of great importance, provided it is properly managed. The harbor contains deep water close in shore with good anchorage, and is well situated. The coal is easily got at and might be advantageously worked if they would lay out a few dollars and cents upon it. But that is not the way the Hudson Bay Co. go to work; for a small outlay they expect large returns; a great mistake, in the coal trade at any rate.

The population is about three hundred; the town contains two places of worship, one school, one store, and two public houses. So far as I can learn, there is no land worth mentioning in the Nanaimo district under cultivation. The view from the town is at times very beautiful. There are several small streams in the neighborhood abounding with fish. Game is plenty. On Chase River, about two miles from the town, the coal crops out. The whole of the surrounding country is very thickly wooded. Taking an impartial view of the subject, I believe the Newcastle town to be a *humbug*—a mere government job to raise the wind.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.

ARRIVED.

Jan 16—Sloop W B Naylor, Kennedy, Race Rocks Sloop Costello, Costello, Race Rocks

CLEARED.

Jan 16—Bark Palmetto, Hall, Port Townsend Sch'r Alpha, Jenkins, Nanaimo

BIRTH.

In this city, Jan. 14th, the wife of John Booth, of a son.

BUREAUS, CHAIRS AND ROCKING

CHAIRS, for sale by P. M. BACKUS, Yates street.

VULCAN IRONWORKS COMPANY

FIRST STREET, San Francisco, California, HAVING A LARGE STOCK OF PATENT CASTINGS

For Iron Fronts, Steamboat and Quartz-mill Machinery, etc.

Proprietors of Morse's Patent Fire Grates. For further particulars inquire of H. Lewis, Builder, corner of Broughton and Government streets, Victoria, who is our authorized Agent for Vancouver Island and British Columbia.

Jan 16m

RE-OPENS ON MONDAY, THE 14TH

CHAS. T. WOODS, Principal.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bank OF British North America. ESTABLISHED IN 1836. Incorporated by Royal Charter in 1840 CAPITAL -- \$5,000,000. VICTORIA BRANCH.

SPECIAL DEPOSITS received in sums of \$100 and upwards, repayable on demand. Charge for safe keeping, ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PER CENT. PER MONTH.

GOLD DUST received for safe keeping at the rate of FIVE CENTS PER OUNCE PER MONTH.

Drafts Issued on London, 60 days after sight, at the rate of \$4 95 per £1 stg. 3 days after sight, (IN SUMS OF \$50 AND UPWARDS), \$5 per £1 stg. 3 days after sight, (IN SUMS UNDER \$50), \$5 10 per £1 stg.

DRAFTS on demand or at short sight, issued on the principal Cities and Towns in Scotland and Ireland, at the rate of \$5 15 per £1 stg.

DRAFTS on the Principal Cities in the North American Provinces, @ 3 days sight, as follows:

Canada, 4 per cent. premium. New Brunswick, 4 per cent. do Nova Scotia, 2 1/2 per cent. do

Drafts on New York, @ 3 days sight, 3 per cent. prem. " Messrs. B. Davidson & May, San Francisco, at sight—Par.

Office Hours, 10 to 3.—SATURDAYS 10 to 1. P. W. WOOD, Manager. ja4 1f

N. MOORE & CO. HAVE REMOVED TO THEIR NEW FIREPROOF STORE, YATES STREET,

Where they offer for Sale an Entirely New Stock of DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, Hats & Caps, ETC., ETC., ETC.

Also, a full assortment of HOSIERY AND GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

Their large and well assorted Stock enables them to offer GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO WHOLESALE BUYERS.

Business Hours from 7 1/2 A.M. to 8 P.M. Open on Saturdays to 10 1/2 P.M. ja4 3

THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, (ESTABLISHED 1836.) For Fire and Life Assurance AT HOME AND ABROAD.

CAPITAL £1,250,760 STERLING. The undersigned have been appointed Agents Victoria JANION & GREEN, auct 6m

Victoria, August, 1860.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, VICTORIA, V. I.

AN EVENING SCHOOL FOR ADULTS. In charge of the undersigned, will at once be commenced for four Evenings in the week, offering the means of instruction in—

Reading, Writing, Ciphering, And the more advanced Branches of an English Education.

Classes will also be formed for the Teaching of BOOK-KEEPING—Single and Double Entry. DRAWING—Line or Architectural, Figure or Landscape.

N. B.—Age of Admission not under 16 years. Hours—Half-past 6 till 9 P.M. TERMS—Average, \$5 per month, in advance. No School on Mondays and Saturdays.

Apply at the School, between 9 A.M. and 12 M., to MR. E. MALLANDAIN.

UNDER TAKING. THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING A COMPLETE Stock on hand, is now prepared to execute any order for the erection of the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

The Trade Supplied. R. LEWIS, Corner of Government and Broughton streets, ja3 1f

Steam Boat Hull FOR SALE.

J. A. McCREA, Auctioneer, Has instructions to sell by Auction AT SALESROOM, WHARF STREET, At 11 o'clock, A. M., On the 22nd of January, 1861.

Unless previously disposed of by private sale. The new Steamboat Hull now on the stocks at the Building Yard, Mr. Leing. She is 69 feet long, with 14 feet beam—built on the exact model of the "Fort Yale"—finished in the most careful manner, and quite ready for launching. ja3 1d

MACDONALD & CO., Office on Yates street, SELL CHECKS AT SIGHT ON TALLANT & WILDE, Bankers, San Francisco.

Furnish Bills of Exchange in sums to suit, and at current rates on New York and London. Pay highest prices for Bars and Gold Dust. Make advances on Gold Dust for assay or coinage in San Francisco. Purchase Navy Bills and Bills on London. def 8m

LADIES' COLLEGE RE-OPENS ON MONDAY, THE 14TH

CHAS. T. WOODS, Principal.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTIONS SALE

—OF—

REAL ESTATE.

THE PROPERTY OF

The Hudson's Bay Company

AT VICTORIA,

COMPRISING THE

Fort Site and adjoining Lots.

P. M. BACKUS, Auctioneer,

WILL SELL

AT THE HUDSON'S BAY FORT

ON WEDNESDAY, The Twenty-third Day of January next

At 12 o'clock, N., the above named Property.

This is the most important sale of Real Estate that has ever taken place in Victoria since the discovery of gold in British Columbia, and offers inducements to capitalists and business men such as are rarely to be met with. The terms of the sale have been made liberal, in order to give parties with small capital an opportunity to invest in the business part of the Town without any very heavy outlay. Plans of the property and terms of sale may be seen at the Auctioneer's office, Eldorado Building.

Terms and Conditions of Sale

—OF—

Hudson's Bay Company Fort and other property.

FIRST—Twenty-five per cent. of the purchase money to be paid upon the day of sale, and the balance thereof at any time within TWO YEARS

of the day of sale, with one per cent. per month interest thereon, payable quarterly for one year from the day of sale, and one and one-half per cent. per month interest, payable quarterly for the second year.

SECOND—All taxes and assessments which shall be imposed upon or in respect of the lands sold, must be paid when due by the purchaser.

THIRD—Failing compliance with each and all of the above conditions, all previous partial payments will be forfeited, and the land will revert to the Hudson's Bay Company.

FOURTH—Conveyances in due form will be executed, on complying with the above-mentioned conditions, without charge to the purchaser.

FIFTH—Parties purchasing buildings on or partly on the street, must remove the same within thirty days, so as not to obstruct the streets.

SIXTH—Parties purchasing the buildings and not on the street, which they stand must remove the same within thirty days. d21

Important Land Sale

OF DESIRABLE PROPERTY ON ESQUIMALT HARBOR.

JOHN J. COCHRANE, AUCTIONEER, is instructed to sell on

APRIL 2d, 1861,

The Valuable Mercantile Property

Section Number 3, on Esquimalt Harbor, extending back to the "Arm" with upwards of one-quarter of a mile of water frontage on each, with deep water close in shore, in a more sheltered position than Constance Cove, and in the heaviest gale so protected that vessels can lie alongside a wharf with safety. Part of the frontage is very well adapted for a Dry Dock, and also a Patent Slip.

The Road from Victoria passes through the centre of the Property. The proposed Naval Depot and Barracks are in the immediate vicinity, and the proposed Canal uniting the two Harbors adjoins the Boundary.

The value of this Property is much enhanced, from the fact of the Imperial Government selecting this portion of the Harbor for Government Works, which are to be immediately commenced. The Property has been divided into various sized Lots, to suit the nature and importance of the ground, and will be offered at the upset price of \$160 each.

TERMS OF SALE. 1st. Twenty-five per cent. of the purchase money to be paid upon the day of sale, and the balance thereof at any time within two years of the day of sale, with one per cent. interest thereon, payable quarterly, 2 1/2 per cent. discount will be allowed on purchases paid in full on day of sale.

2d. All taxes and assessments which shall be imposed upon it in respect of the lands sold, must be paid when due by the purchaser.

3d. Failing compliance with each and all of the above conditions, all previous partial payments will be forfeited, and the land will revert to the present holder.

Plans to be seen at the Office of the Auctioneer, Government street. ja1

Take Notice! I AM PREPARED TO SUPPLY THE numerous calls for Gentlemen's

WHITE NECK TIES, FOR THE DELUGE BALL

On the 24th January; also, a full assortment of WHITE KID GLOVES

AND DRESS SHIRTS. I shall continue to keep a large supply of WHITE NECK TIES always on hand, which I shall offer CHEAP FOR CASH.

Also, an assortment of GARROTE COLLARS. CALL AT N. POINTER'S, de22 2dp

GOVERNMENT STREET. DOCTOR KENNEDY, A. M.

Physician, Surgeon

Accoucheur, FROM HIS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE in the treatment of Diseases in Europe, British America, and on the Pacific Coast, Dr. Kennedy is confident of giving satisfaction to those requiring his services in the various branches of his Profession.

MIDWIFERY. And those Diseases peculiar to Women and Children, shall receive his special attention.

N. B.—A CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF DRUGS MEDICINES, Patent Medicines, &c., FOR SALE.

Johnson street, between Wharf and Waddington Alley. de29 2m2dp

Hall's Sarsaparilla, Yellow Dock and Iodide of Potass is prepared from the finest Jamaica Sarsaparilla and English Iodide of Potass—admirable as a restorative and purifier of the blood, it cleanses the system of all morbid and impure matter—removes pimples, boils and eruptions from the skin—cures rheumatism and pains of all kinds. All who can afford should use it, as it tends to give them strength and prolong life.

Sold by Druggists generally at \$1 per bottle. Wholesale Druggists, 143 and 145 Clay street, Below Montgomery, San Francisco. ol 6m

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY. THE GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING of this Society will be held at the Philharmonic Hall at 7 o'clock, on Wednesday, the 16th of January, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other important business connected with the Society.

JOHN DEWEES, Vice President. ROBERT HOFFMANN, Hon. Secy. ja1 1f

EX "ALMA" FROM LONDON. 50 CASES 4 DOZ EACH, HIBBERT'S

Porter, 4/6. 50 cases 4 doz each, Hibbert's Porter, 4/6. 50 cases 4 doz each, Hibbert's Pale Ale, 4/6. 50 cases 8 doz each, Hibbert's Pale Ale, 4/6. For sale by J. D. CARROLL, Yates street. ja1 1m

MISCELLANEOUS.



NOTICE.

Town and District of Victoria, and Town of Esquimalt, To wit:

REAL ESTATE ASSESSMENT.

All persons, owners of Real Estate in this District, are required to make a statement in writing, according to the Form A hereto annexed, of what Real Estate they hold and where situated; to describe such Real Estate, giving the admeasurements thereof; to state what its actual market value is, and the value of the improvements thereon; and to deliver such statement at the Office of the Treasurer of Vancouver Island and its Dependencies, on or before the 31st day of January, 1861, thirty days from the date of the advertisement.

SCHEDULE A.

Owner's Name.	Place of Residence.	Amount of Property, and where situated.	Admeasurements.	Market Value.

By order of the Assessors)

JOHN J. COCHRANE, LEWIS DAVIS.

Blank Forms may be had of the Assessors, at the Treasury, at Messrs. Hibben & Carswell's, and the other bookstores. ja2 1f

NOTICE.

District of Esquimalt and Metchoin County, } Sooke, Lake and Saanich, To wit:

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By order of the Assessors,

KENNETH MCKENZIE, ALEXANDER MUNRO, JOHN GASTINEAU, FREDERICK W. GREEN, J. D. CARROLL.

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Colony of Vancouver Island. TO WIT: REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT ALL PERSONS entitled to Vote for the Election of Members to serve in the House of Assembly, in respect of property or other qualification, within the Electoral Districts of—

Victoria Town; Victoria County; Esquimalt Town; Lake District; Saanich District; Salt Spring Island District, including the Settlement of Chemainos; Esquimalt and Metchoin County; Sooke;

Nanaimo; Whose names are not in the List of Voters now in force for such Districts, or whose qualifications are different from those for which they appear on such List, are hereby required to deliver or transmit to me at the Sheriff's Office, in the Town of Victoria, on or before the 25th day of January, 1861, a claim in writing containing their Christian name and surname, at full length, their place of abode, the nature of their qualification, the name of the Street, Town, or other like place wherein the property in respect of which they claim to vote is situated, and each of such claimants must at the same time pay to me the sum of Four Shillings and Two Pence; and all such persons omitting so to deliver or transmit their claim, or make such payment, will be excluded from the Lists of Voters for the said Electoral Districts.

WM. BROOKE NAYLOR, Sheriff of Vancouver Island. Victoria, 1st day of January, A. D. 1861. ja5 1d

NOTICE.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Office of Lands and Works till the 15th inst., for the removal of the ground around the Government Buildings. The extent of the said excavations will be shown on the premises. (Signed) Acting Colonial Secretary. ja9 1f

FURNITURE.

BY LATE ARRIVALS, THE UNDER-SIGNED have received additions to their hitherto well-assorted stock of Furniture—and now offer

PAINTED SETS, ten pieces; EXTENSION TABLES, 8 and 10 feet long; CHAIR TABLES, Serpentine and round tops, assorted sizes;

CARD TABLES, harp and square pillars; COMMON " 2 1/2, 3 and 3 1/2 long, with drawers; also Cherry, Walnut, and painted pine leaf tables; wash stands, chair cushions, coverlets, towel racks, willow cribs, &c.

BEDSTEADS, Mahogany French, Cottage, double and single; LOUNGES, spring seats, in damask and leather covers; SOFAS, spring seats, hair cloth, with round and pillar backs; CHIFFONNIERS, with fall and door fronts; CHEFFONNIERS, walnut and mahogany carved fronts, 3 shelves, fret work; BUREAUS, one-half marble top, scroll and painted pine, 4 and 6 drawers; WARD ROBES, walnut and mahogany, 5 and 6 shelves; MIRRORS, in gilt and mahogany frames, assorted sizes, for parlors, chambers and saloons; CHILDREN'S cribs and cradles, also high and low chairs, assorted patterns;

CHAIRS, mahogany hair cloth, spring seats, cane and wood seat, office, oval, Grecian cane, heavy bar room, and common wood seats; ROCKERS, spring seats, mahogany and cane seats and backs, sewing and arm; CHAIRS, wash stands, chair cushions, coverlets, towel racks, willow cribs, &c.

—ALSO— BEDDING, Fuls, Curled Hair, Moss, Wool, and Straw Mattresses, best Feather Pillows, all sizes; in the manufacture of which we use none but the best materials, and guarantee our work.

PIERCE & SEYMOUR, Broad street, between Yates and View. Victoria, V. I., Feb. 22. d23-1m2p

I. N. JEFFERIES, SIGN PAINTER, YATES STREET, Importer and Dealer in

PAINTS, OILS, WINDOW GLASS, Varnish, Turpentine, Glue, White Lead, Brush, Gold Moulding, &c.

Wall Paper and Borders. ja7

